GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HONEY PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Honey production potentials in Kerala are descending;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) the details of Honey production in Tamil Nadu in the current year as on October 31,2001, district-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUM DEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): No, Sir. The value of honey production in Kerala has increased from Rs.132.21 lakhs in 1994-95 to Rs.320.10 lakhs in 1999-2000. District-wise information on honey production is not being compiled.

(c): Does not arise. However, the Ministry of Agriculture is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture − Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plans.Under this Scheme assistance is being provided to the Kerala State Horticulture Produce Development Corporation for activities like production and distribution of honey bee colonies, organizing training programmes and honey festivals.

(d): District-wise information on honey production in Tamil Nadu has not been compiled for the year 2001.